

REMARKS

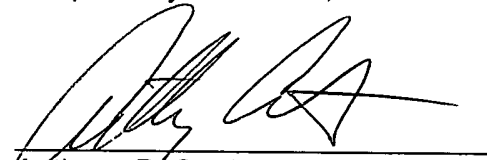
Summary

Claims 1-20 were pending. Applicant has canceled Claims 1-9. Applicant has rewritten portions of Claims 10, 15 and 16. Claims 10-20 are pending after entry of this amendment. No new matter has been added as a result of this amendment. Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner grant early allowance of this application. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned agent for the Applicant via telephone if such communication would expedite this application.

Conclusion

In view of the amendments above, Applicant respectfully submits that all of the pending claims are in condition for allowance and seek an early allowance thereof. If for any reason the Examiner is unable to allow the application and believes that a telephone interview would be helpful to resolve any remaining issues, he is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned agent or attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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